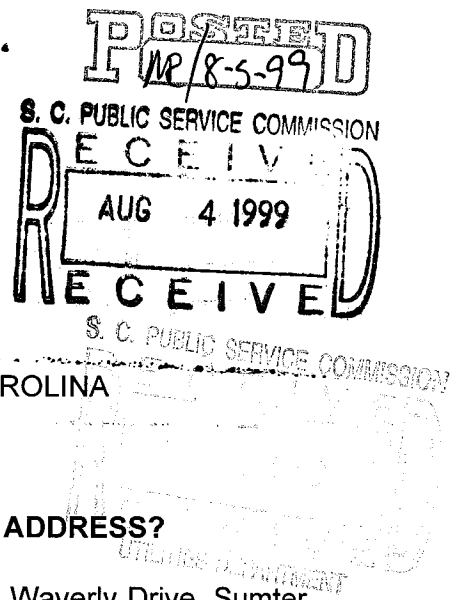


SIGFIELD WATER COMPANY INC.  
TESTIMONY OF HAROLD A. SIGMON, SR.

FOR

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET # 97-131-W



1 Q: WOULD YOU PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS?

2 A: My name is Harold A. Sigmon, Sr. My current address is 2911 Waverly Drive, Sumter,  
3 South Carolina.

4 Q: WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?

5 A: My Testimony is to support the Company's request for approval of a Management  
6 Agreement between the Company and Sumter Reforestation, Inc. which has been filed for  
7 approval by this Commission.

8 Q: WHAT IS YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH SIGFIELD WATER COMPANY, INC.?

9 A: I am the President of Sigfield Water Company.

10 Q: HOW MUCH TOTAL COMPENSATION HAVE YOU RECEIVED FROM THE COMPANY  
11 SINCE YOU ASSUMED OWNERSHIP?

12 A: None. I have never received any compensation for any of the work that I have done for this  
13 Company and its customers. On the contrary, my wife and I have made loans to the  
14 Company in order to provide service to these customers, which loans have never been  
15 repaid.

16 Q: HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT REFERENCED  
17 HEREINABOVE AND DO YOU BELIEVE IT SHOULD BE APPROVED BY THIS  
18 COMMISSION?

19 A: Yes, and I believe that this Commission should approve this Management Agreement  
20 because of the many benefits which accrue to the customers. Sumter Reforestation, Inc.

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1 has put forth considerable efforts in order to maintain a safe and reliable water system for  
2 these customers. Namely, Sumter Reforestation, Inc. has diligently performed all those  
3 duties enumerated in the Management Agreement for which the Company is seeking  
4 approval.

5 **Q: PLEASE ELABORATE?**

6 **A:** Sigfield Water Company does not own the equipment necessary to maintain and repair this  
7 system. There are no employees except my wife and myself. Also, Sumter Reforestation,  
8 Inc. is on call twenty-four hours a day, three hundred sixty-five days a year. Work crews  
9 from Sumter Reforestation, Inc. are utilized as necessary in order to keep the water system  
10 functioning.

11 **Q: DO YOU BELIEVE THAT SIGFIELD COULD GET SOMEONE ELSE TO MANAGE THIS**  
12 **SYSTEM FOR \$12,000.00 PER YEAR?**

13 **A:** No. In my opinion, the Company could not get someone else who is qualified, to manage  
14 the system for that amount.

15 **Q: CAN YOU COMMENT ON THE ADEQUACY OF SERVICE PROVIDED BY SUMTER**  
16 **REFORESTATION, INC. PURSUANT TO THE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT IN**  
17 **QUESTION?**

18 **A:** Yes. It is my understanding that there were no service complaints made to the Public  
19 Service Commission prior to our filing of a rate case and our system is in full compliance  
20 with DHEC regulations and is in good standing with DHEC.

21 **Q: DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY ?**

22 **A:** Yes.